# Classroom Management Through Your Closet

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## Good grooming makes all the difference (Good grooming page from Style Builder)

#### Men

- Short up-to-date hair for men, if you choose to wear long hair, keep it clean and pulled back in a neat pony tail
- Clean shaven or deliberate, conservative facial hair that is short and well groomed
- Clothing needs to be clean and wrinkle free even better is if it is pressed
- Clothing and shoes need to be in good repair not worn out or with fashionable holes

## What ere thou art dress well thy part.

#### Men

- Casual dress slacks with a collared shirt
- Shirts worn tucked in with a belt tell your students that you require attention to details and run a tight ship
- Full shoe that is polished and in good repair, sandals, crocs, and flip-flops send too casual of a message
- Athletic department members should dress like all the other teachers in the classroom or while coaching during an athletic event (a collared shirt with long casual dress pants).
   During practice when they are out on the floor or on the field, wear country club casual—dress shorts and full shoes with a collared shirt
- Sweats are for personal workout time only and chilling at your house, not school or the work place
- Your clothing should fit well—not too baggy or too tight
- No hats, ball caps, or hoodies should be worn in the classroom (including students), not only is it bad manner to wear hats indoors, it doesn't allow people to see your eyes—the great communicators.
- On Fridays when you can dress a little more casual, make sure your jeans are not worn out and that they don't have any holes, stains or frayed pant legs
- T-shirts should be worn only when it is a promotional school T-shirt on dress-down Fridays or to school events when appropriate

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- Up-to-date hair style more towards the conservative than the edgy side of the trends
- Moderate makeup (makeup will help to say you are a professional)
- Hemlines of all clothing need to be finished and not just cut-off and ragged
- Clothing needs to be clean and wrinkle free even better is if it is pressed
- Clothing and shoes need to be in good repair not worn out or with fashionable holes

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#### Women

- Modest clothing is best
  - Necklines that aren't revealing and stay in place when bending over to help a student Tops that don't reveal the midriff when raising your arm to write on the board (Camisoles and tank tops can be used to help facilitate professionalism in both the above areas) Your clothing should fit well—not too baggy or too tight keeping students eyes where they belong and helping maintain a safer environment Skirt lengths should be just above the knee or longer
- Keep your slacks loose enough to allow ease of movement as well as more professional look
- Full shoe that is polished and in good repair. Sandals, crocs, and flip-flops send too casual of a message
- Athletic department members should dress like all the other teachers in the classroom or while
  coaching during an athletic event (a nice top or team shirt with long casual dress pants).
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  shorts and full shoes with a collared shirt or very nice jogging suit
- Sweats are for personal workout time only and chilling at your house, not for school or work. There are some great active wear items that look like dress slacks for those who teach dance or sports that allow movement without appearing to be sweats; add a nice knit top or shirt and your appearance is professional.
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